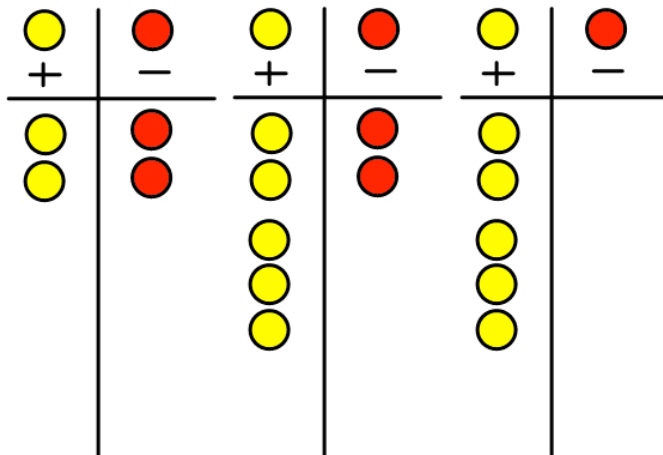


Learning Goal:

By the end of this I should be able to SUBTRACT negative numbers from other numbers (pos. or neg.) WITHOUT the use of a calculator (technology).

Example Strategies: Find the **difference** (subtract) of the following: $3 - (-2)$

(i) Start with a few zero pairs, (ii) add three positive chips, (iii) then take away two negative chips, count the unbalanced chips – the number of unbalanced chips is your final answer, in this case, the answer is positive five.



$$\text{OR } 3 - (-2) = 3 + 2 \\ = 5$$

BIG IDEA - Subtracting a negative value gives the same result as adding a positive value.

$$5 - (-3) \quad \text{is the same as} \quad 5 + 3$$

Skills Practice: Use the strategy you like best and find the **difference** (subtract) of the following:

(a) $6 - (-2)$

(b) $5 - (-8)$

(c) $(-5) - (-3)$

(d) $(-8) - (-14)$

(e) $14 - (-1)$

(f) $(-25) - (-25)$

(g) $7 - (-12) - 4$

(h) $(-6) - 6 - (-3)$